

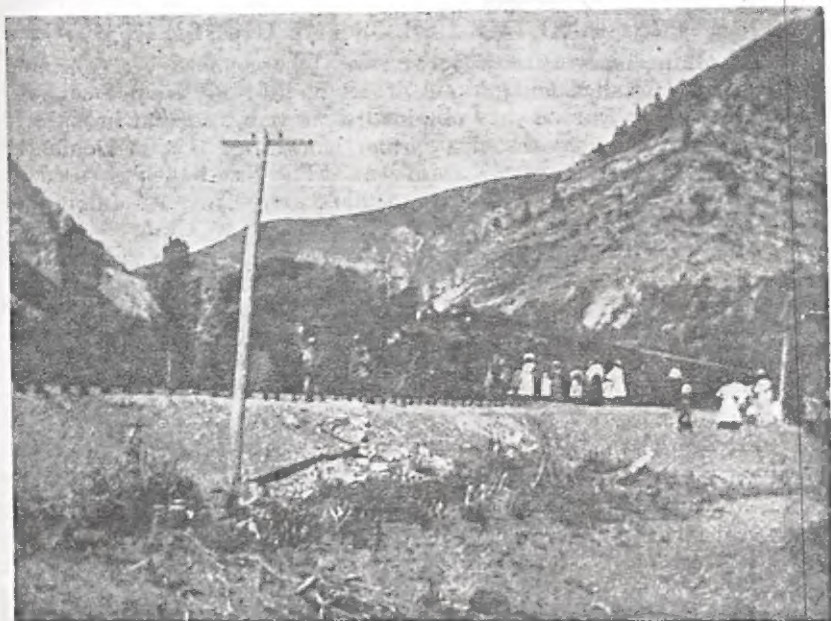
## RAILROADS

The first official train of the Utah Southern Extension Railroad arrived at the depot in Provo November 25, 1873. This eagerly-awaited event was marked with an elaborate celebration. The firing of cannon and music from the Provo brass band greeted the train as it came in. A program followed, with four thousand people present, and a "grand ball" was held in the evening.

Business opportunities increased with the coming of the railroad, and new markets were opened up for agricultural produce and livestock.

In 1879, the Provo City Council advanced \$1000 for purchase of a right-of-way to extend the narrow gauge railroad, which had been completed from the Pleasant Valley coal fields to Springville, to their city. When the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad built west into Utah in 1881, they took over the narrow gauge and, in 1889, converted it to standard gauge. A branch line was extended to Park City mines through Provo Canyon in 1897.

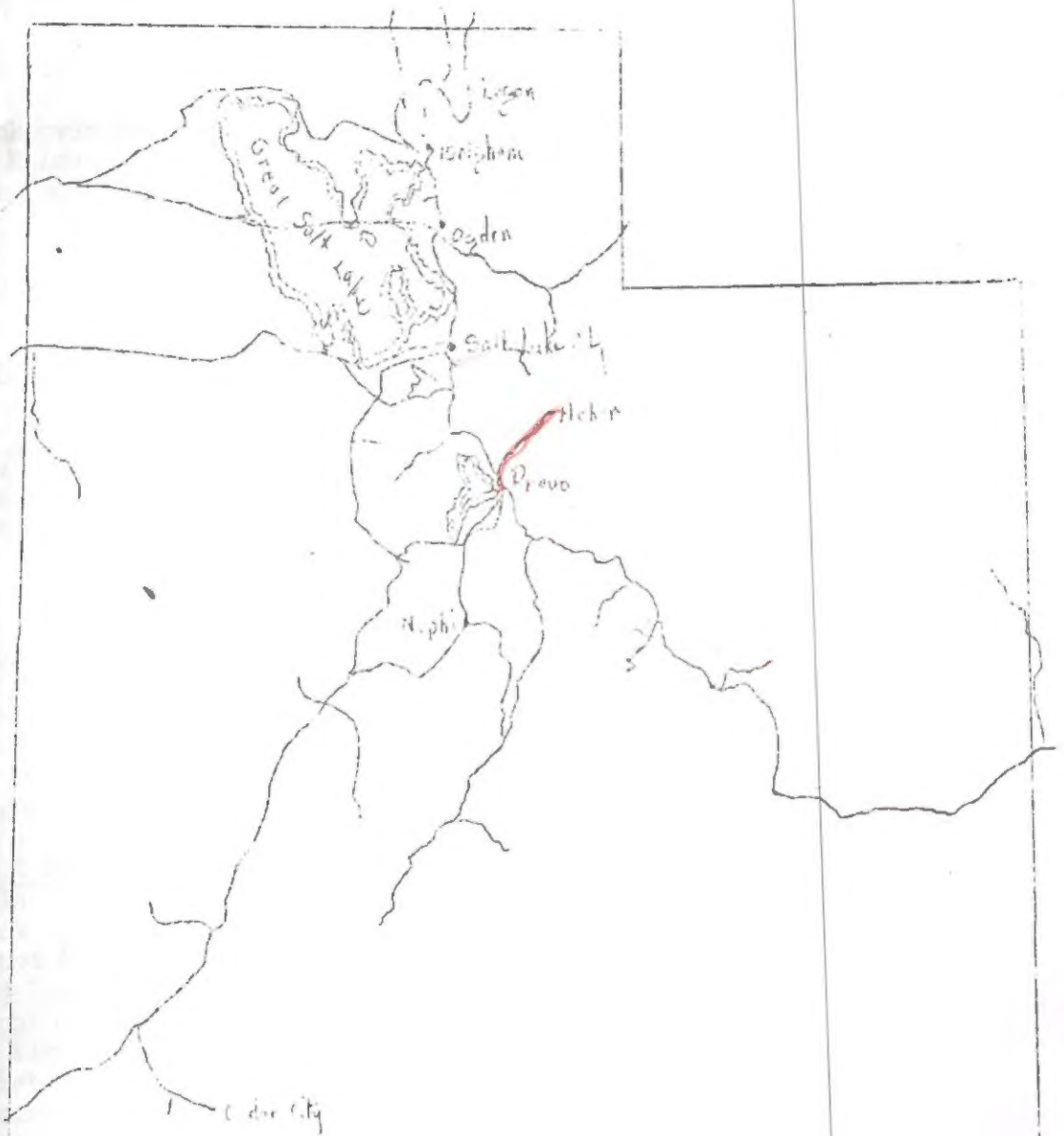
Provo, in 1947, is served by three railroads—the Denver and Rio Grande; the Utah Railway, referred to as the Coal Road, and operating between Provo and the coal fields of Emery County; and the Union Pacific.



**"EXCURSION TRAIN"**

First train that went through Provo Canyon, taken 1898.

A MAP SHOWING THE RAILROADS AND RAILROAD CENTERS OF UTAH.



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